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IN RE DIVISIONAL APPLICATION OF:

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: EXAMINER:

FILED: **December 20, 2000**

: ART UNIT:

FOR: **Hydrogel-Driven Drug Dosage Form**

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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 ET SEQ.

Applicant(s) herein make(s) available to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office a copy of PTO-FB-A820 which lists the references cited by the applicant(s), copies of which are enclosed.

The Examiner is requested to consider carefully the complete text of these references in connection with the examination of the above-identified application in accord with 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(a). It is believed the Examiner will concur with applicant's belief that the subject matter presently claimed is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the foregoing references.

It is requested that the references listed on the attached form PTO-FB-A820 be included in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from this application (M.P.E.P. § 1302.12).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the sum of \$180.00 to Deposit Account No. 16-1445 to cover the cost of this submission in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and 1.17(p). The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 16-1445.

A prompt and favorable response is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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